

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the first paragraph on page 1 (i.e., the paragraph at lines 6-10 on page 1) with the following amended paragraph:

This application is ~~an application filed under 35 U.S.C. §111(a)~~ the national stage application under 35 U.S.C. §371 of PCT/JP2004/011854 filed August 12, 2004 claiming benefit pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §119(e) of the filing dates of Provisional Application No. 60/496,666 filed on August 21, 2003 and 60/541,070 filed on February 2, 2004 pursuant to 35 U.S.C. §111(b).